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In re Applicant: Joseph L. Kim et al
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For: Crystal Of Hepatitis C Virus Helicase
Of Fragments Therefor Comprising A
Helicase Binding Pocket

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Per a telephone conversation with the office of the attorney of record, the request for refund and the declaration claiming small entity entitlement filed March 27, 2000, requesting one half of the filing fee paid has been reconsidered and is hereby granted.

After thorough inspection of U.S. Patent and Trademark Office physical records and Revenue Accounting Management financial records, it was determined that the Notice to file Missing Parts of Application Filing Date Granted was mailed to the wrong address. The evidences clearly shows that the attorney did not receive the notice mailed July 30, 1999. In addition it was brought to the Office attention that the Preliminary amendment filed September 17, 1999 did not authorized the filing fee charge.

Being that the USPTO did error in mailing the notice to the incorrect address, and since the attorney office did not receive the notice, the refund request is considered timely. The Office will refund one half of the filing fee (\$1,121.00) to deposit account number 06-1075.

The Office regrets the inconvenience this error may have cause your office.

Any inquiry concerning this matter may be directed to Margaret W. Stevens at (703) 305-3608 or FAX number (703) 308-7922.


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